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MARGINAL COLUMN

By MEIR MINDLIN

IT is not easy to understand why the Hebrew Writers chose to invite statesmen and ministers to address their conference, though there is no doubt some significance in the fact, for there must have been an exchange of importance and culture involved. Statesmen, ministers, and officials, if they bother to notice literature at all, generally do so for the prestige value of the product, for they cannot, by definition, take the artist's view, and could not act if they did. The Tenth Anniversary celebrations call for a display of "cultural exhibits," and there seems to be some distress about what there is to show, as one might survey potash or milk production and then exhort laggard workers or managers to raise the quality and increase productivity. However, since the writers issued the invitation, they had it coming to them, for in this land of few surprises, they knew perfectly well what to expect.

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IT is somewhat more surprising to find the writers themselves abdicating from their own rights and function. Thus Mr. Buria, a writer of some ability who has given us certain insights into Sephardic life, calls on writers to produce for the widest possible public and to write simply, which means that they should all strive to be journalists or educationists — though it is hard to believe that he really wants to reduce Hebrew Literature to Children's Literature, however logically that follows from what he says. Since life isn't always very simple after all, we had thought it one of the main functions of literature to remind us of that fact. Even more surprising was the attack of Mr. S. Yizhar, who, as the best of our younger writers, has a certain right to fling his thimbleful of fire and brimstone, but to call the "Scrolls of Fire" anthology one of the two most important works of modern Hebrew literature is to throw all values and standards into the fire, for however much we may admire his keeping faith with his fallen comrades of the War of Independence, there is no posthumous work in that volume that indicates that we lost anyone even faintly approaching the level — from the purely literary point of view of course — of Isaac Rosenberg, Wilfred Owen, or Sidney Keyes. Furthermore, as who should know like Mr. Yizhar, living ten years in the Negev does not necessarily qualify one to write well about it if one lacks talent and imagination, which can be exercised from any coign of vantage, even a Tel Aviv café.

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WHEN officials call for a presentation of reality in literature it is pretty clear what they have in mind: pioneering sagas of settlement, of tower and stockade, of the ingathering of immigrants and their absorption. Well, good writers just don't write to order and never will, and a subject they happen to pick up (or imagine) in a Tel Aviv café may be more relevant to Israel reality than the most elaborate descriptions of Negev landscapes and characters. As a modern Danish novelist, H.C. Branner, put it so very well:

"Literature should not confirm prejudices and conventional ideas, but break them down. It does not solve problems: it puts problems. It cannot either advocate the bliss of any religious or political creed without shutting its eyes and ears to essential aspects of reality. The creative artist is not a mentor, nor an educationist or a prophet; he cannot teach people what to think or believe, or how to live their own lives; his task is solely to live and express his own time, to be its consciousness and its conscience. Art is man's picture of himself, and what happens to man if he is struck with blindness, if he is not constantly faced with his own features...?"

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IT is true that we have almost no really good writers presenting the varied facets of our reality, but the reasons are different and far more complex than those adduced at the conference opening. It seems that it will take our writers a whole generation to shake off the ideological state of mind, the habit of seeing things as they *should* be, or could be, and we wonder who could be responsible for *that*. Seeing things as they are requires natural talent, as well as courage and experience. Since masterpieces aren't necessarily written on anniversaries or for them, we shall have to wait patiently till the talent appears, but it is worth waiting, for, as Henry James wrote, "It is art that *makes* life, makes interest, makes importance, for our consideration and application of these things, and I know of no substitute whatever for the force and beauty of its process."

London, April 13.

Urrutia Says Scopus Accord To 'Take Time'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

LYDDA AIRPORT, Monday. — Mr. Francisco Urrutia, the U.N. Secretary-General's special envoy on Mount Scopus affairs, declined today to reveal when the agreement he had negotiated would be implemented. When pinned down by reporters at the airport, a few minutes before he took his seat in the Air France plane on his way to New York, Mr. Urrutia said that there were a number of "stages" in the agreement, each of which had to be negotiated separately.

He would not reveal the nature of the agreement or its "stages," but said "it will take time."

Mr. Urrutia was accompanied to the airport by Mr. Henri Vigier, Political Adviser to the U.N. Chief of Staff.

Asked whether he was satisfied with his talks during his present stay in Jerusalem, Mr. Urrutia said, "Yes, indeed, some progress has been achieved." He described his visit as a "routine trip" the object of which was to inform the Secretary-General of the state of affairs. He did not tackle the question of the Mount of Olives, where graves in the Jewish cemetery have been desecrated, as it was outside his terms of reference, he said. Nor could he say whether he was coming again since this was a matter for the Secretary-General to decide. The Secretary-General alone could decide, too, whether and when Dr. Ralph Bunche would be coming to Jerusalem.

Pledged to Secrecy

Mr. Urrutia declined to say what he had found on Mount Scopus on his inspection tour. "I have pledged to both Governments not to reveal to the other side what I have seen. All my observations go to the Secretary-General directly," he said.

Asked what was the state of the British war cemetery on Scopus, Mr. Urrutia said that one of the objects of his discussions was to obtain satisfaction to the many demands for permission to visit the graves.

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes: Dr. Urrutia's fortnight visit was concerned solely with the implementation of the arrangement he reached in January between Israel and Jordan, which provided for carrying out the 1948 Mt. Scopus agreement. While he confined himself to this task, Israel made it clear that its policy continues to be based on the implementation of Article VIII of the Armistice Agreement which provides, *inter alia*, for free access to Mt. Scopus.

The 1948 agreement, which is superseded by the Armistice Agreement, can only be considered of a temporary nature.

It is expected that Dr. Urrutia will be returning to the area within a few months to continue his work. The arrangement for implementation of the 1948 agreement has in no way been changed as a result of Dr. Urrutia's visit.

2 Austrian Journalists Missing in Eilat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT, Monday. — Two visiting Austrian journalists, Dr. Hans Germani and Miss Hildergard Regina Otto, are still missing after last being seen leaving their private rooms in Eilat in the direction of the Jordan border.

Dr. Germani is Vienna correspondent of the German "Der Spiegel."

The two announced their intention of photographing the border despite warnings of the risk involved in approaching too near the frontier. Their passports and personal effects remained behind in Eilat.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman in Jerusalem said that Israel has asked Jordan, through the Mixed Armistice Commission, for information on the missing pair.

SECOND CLASH IN WEEK

Lebanese Seize Four Syrian Border Men

BEIRUT, Monday (UP). — Four Syrian border guards were captured on Lebanese territory last night in a new outburst of violence along the border with Syria, informed Government sources reported today. The incident was the second within a week.

Parliamentary Deputies said they considered the situation so serious that they were planning to ask for a state of emergency in the next session.

The four Syrians were captured by Lebanese gendarmes after an exchange of fire near Machta Hassan, 10 miles inside Lebanese territory, the sources said. A fifth Syrian escaped. They told Lebanese authorities they were pursuing smugglers.

Foreign Minister Charles Malik, the sources said, has cabled the Lebanese Ambassador in Cairo to ask the United Arab Republic to appoint a special agent to help the Lebanon investigate the issue. The move was seen as an attempt to prevent further deterioration of Lebanese-Syrian relations.

Last week, Lebanese troops ambushed a band of gunrunners who were smuggling newly purchased arms into the Lebanon.

Tension has been steadily increasing in the Lebanon in the past weeks. It stems from the fight between followers and opponents of President Camille Chamoun over his apparent desire to run for re-election in the general elections next September.

The Lebanon has not charged Syria with any implication in the arms-smuggling incident. But privately, Government officials have said Syria was at least closing her eyes to the supply of arms to Chamoun's opponents over the border.

The Arab News Agency reported that the Lebanese Army Headquarters has banned publication of reports about the movements of Lebanese troops.

The Lebanese Government and the American Embassy have both denied reports that President Chamoun was seeking the assistance of the U.S. Sixth Fleet if internal unrest worsened.

U.S. Architect Lauds Knesset Building Plan

By TED R. LURIE

NEW YORK, Monday. — Mr. Max Abramowitz, one of the three consultants called in to advise the Knesset Presidium on the plans for a permanent Knesset building, came away from Israel convinced that the plan submitted by Jerusalem architect Yosef Klarwein could produce "a great building."

The famous New York architect told this correspondent that the consultants' committee had unanimously approved the plan submitted by the competition winner, and recommended that Mr. Klarwein be sent abroad on a study tour before completing the detailed plans for the building.

Mr. Abramowitz, whose firm, Harrison and Abramowitz, was the chief architectural firm for the planning of the U.N. Headquarters building in New York, expressed his opinion that the Knesset project should not be hurried, and that much time and further study should be invested in it before commencing on construction.

Haitian Official Kills Minister in Washington

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP). — The First Secretary of the Haitian Embassy today received orders to return home, walked into the adjoining office and shot and killed the Embassy's Minister Counsellor.

The Secretary, André Toussaint, was being questioned by police. He might be taken back to Haiti under armed guard for trial there. The victim, Samuel De Vieux, 50, had been married to an American girl only last Saturday.

Embassy aides said there had been "ill feeling" between Toussaint and De Vieux for some time, and the First Secretary apparently believed the Minister Counsellor was responsible for his recall to Haiti.

Growing Unrest In Gaza Strip

Unrest among the inhabitants in the Gaza Strip is growing as a result of the Egyptian rule of terror there, Ramallah Radio asserted last night.

It made its charge following the arrest of a number of Gaza personalities by the Egyptian Governor-General, who, on Sunday charged the group with complicity in a "Jordan plot" against the Egyptian authorities.

In Gaza, demonstrators marched through the streets yesterday, demanding the return of the Egyptian army to the area, and restoration of "Popular Resistance Groups."

The Egyptian Governor yesterday flew to Cairo for consultations on the Gaza Strip situation with the Defence Minister, Marshal Abdul Hakim Amer.

The Egyptian communique on Sunday had stated that the detained persons had distributed leaflets alleging gross neglect and corruption by the Governor-General, Abdul Latif.

The Governor accused the plotters of attempting to endanger the security of the Strip. Intensive investigations are being continued by the Egyptian authorities, and these are expected to be concluded shortly. The communique claimed that the ringleader was Sa'adi Suweya, "noted for his connections with the British and Israel intelligence."

Syrians Fire At Israel Plane

TIBERIAS, Monday. — Syrian positions across the border today fired several shots at an Israel plane, flying over Israel territory near the Syrian border.

The plane was not hit.

The U.N. chief of Staff, General Karl von Horn, visited the northern area for the first time today. He was accompanied by his Deputy, Colonel Byron Leary; his legal adviser, M. Berthoud; the administrative director of U.N.T.S.O., Mr. Eldon Brodnax, and the Chairman of the Israel-Syrian M.A.C., Colonel Bertrand.

At 3.30 this afternoon, the General's party met the Israel delegate on the M.A.C., Rav-Seren N. Teppner, at the Bnot Ya'acov bridge. Together they toured the area, including the demilitarized zone, and visited the Tel Katzir kibbutz.

Tomorrow they will inspect the U.N. observation posts on the frontier and in the Hula area.

Solel Boneh To Split, Histadrut Executive Rules

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The Histadrut Executive today approved by a majority vote the proposals of its Secretary-General, Mr. P. Lavon, splitting Solel Boneh into three separate sectors. The Executive reached its decision after a day-long debate with Mapam, Ahdut Ha'avoda and Communist members opposing the majority composed of Mapai, Oved Hazioni, Religious Workers and General Zionist Workers factions.

Mr. M. Yaari, M.K., and Mr. Y. Tabenkin, M.K., ideological leaders of Mapam and Ahdut Ha'avoda respectively, made one of their rare appearances at the Executive session, as did the Minister of Labour, Mr. M. Namir.

The tense atmosphere which prevailed during the debate was duplicated behind the scenes where heads of Solel Boneh, led by Mr. H. Dan, made last-minute attempts to postpone the reforms. This last-ditch campaign included an appeal to the Prime Minister, but it is understood that Mr. Ben-Gurion did not respond.

Explaining his proposals, Mr. Lavon declared, "We have all pinned in delaying these reforms." The Secretary-General's description of the present situation, wherein a "cen-

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GZ-Herut Merger Report 'Inexact'

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The "Committee of Six" which is negotiating the planned General Zionist-Herut merger, announced today that all press reports on the talks hitherto published were "inexact and unauthorized."

The statement is understood to refer detailed reports on the basic lines of the proposed merger which appeared in "Ma'ariv" yesterday.

The declaration was signed by Messrs. Yosef Serlin, Yosef Saphir, and Avraham Krinitzki, for the General Zionists, and by Messrs. Menahem Begin, Yohanan Bader, and Aric Ben-Eliezer, for Herut. It added, "It is to be presumed that the elected bodies of both parties shortly will discuss the terms of the agreement as soon as it is reached."

It is learned that members of the General Zionists who oppose the merger have called for a protest meeting tomorrow evening. The General Zionist Workers Council—the main group which opposes the merger — are to meet.

IKE PLANNNG MAJOR ECONOMIC SPEECH

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP) — President Eisenhower will make a major economic speech in New York on May 20, the White House announced today after the President's return to his desk following a golfing weekend in Augusta, Georgia.

West Ready to Start Pre-Summit Talks in 'Few Days,' Dulles Opines

President to Visit Holland, Belgium

The President and Mrs. Izhak Ben-Zvi will pay a short private visit to Holland in July. From there they will proceed to Belgium where they will spend a few days and will visit the Brussels International Exhibition.

Opposition Grows To Gaillard Policy

PARIS, Monday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Gaillard will tomorrow stake the life of his Government — and possibly his country's relations with the U.S. — on a confidence vote over Tunisia in the National Assembly.

The assembly has been called back from holiday two weeks early as the result of a secret message to M. Gaillard from President Eisenhower.

It will be asked to endorse the Government's decision to resume talks with Tunisia on the basis suggested by the Anglo-American Good Offices mission.

Feeling Runs High

But anti-Government forces are gathering strength and nationalist feeling in the Assembly is running high. Opposition may be expected from the right, the centre and the left.

If the Government policy is rejected and M. Gaillard overthrown, political observers believe that grave tension may ensue between France and the U.S. which is deeply concerned to keep Tunisia in the pro-Western camp.

It is not yet known whether the Premier will disclose the contents of the message he received from Mr. Eisenhower last Friday. It was learned, however, that Mr. Robert Murphy, the U.S. Good Offices envoy, told M. Gaillard that the American Government could not guarantee to support France, if she brought the question of the Tunisian backing of Algerian insurgents before the United Nations.

Soustelle Major Critic

M. Gaillard critics include some men to whom the Assembly listens with respect, such as M. Jacques Soustelle, former Governor of Algeria, and M. Georges Bidault, former Premier and Foreign Minister. Both consider the terms for a resumption of talks with Tunisia as a "surrender" to U.S. pressure and the thin end of a wedge to bring outside influence to bear in settling the fighting in Algeria.

Sumatra Revolt Said Collapsing

SINGAPORE, Monday (UP). — Government troops, stepping up the pace of the war against the rebels, smashed through Tapanuli Province today to split it off from the revolutionary stronghold at Bukittinggi.

At the same time the loyalists moved forward within 15 kms. of the strategic Padang-Palembang road. The loss of the Padang-Sifolga road through Tapanuli, and of the Palembang road, would destroy the last rebel land link with the outside.

The radio also said that the Government air base at Makassar, South Celebes, was raided by a rebel plane yesterday. The raid caused slight damage to the airport's runway, but there were no casualties.

To End 'This Week'

In Hong Kong the Indonesian Foreign Minister, Dr. Subandrio, predicted that the Indonesian war will be over "this week." He stopped over briefly en route to Tokyo, where he will sign ratification papers for the Japanese-Indonesian peace treaty.

The Antara News Agency reported from Jakarta today that the Indonesian Government has turned down a Yugoslav offer of $10m. in credits, because it thought the interest terms were too high. Yugoslavia was reported to have offered the credits, to be repaid over a five-year period at an interest of 5 per cent per annum.

Want No Curbs on Procedure

Secretary of State Dulles said in Washington yesterday that pre-summit preparatory talks might get started within a few days, although he did not know for certain at the moment.

In Paris, sources close to the Nato Permanent Council, now meeting in the French capital, said yesterday that the Western powers are prepared to hold ambassadorial talks with Russia in Moscow next week to discuss preparations for the summit conference.

Both Mr. Dulles and the Nato source indicated, however, that the Western powers maintain their position that the exploratory talks must not be tied to any Soviet limitations on procedure.

Seeks Substantial Accord

The Secretary of State made his announcement at an informal ceremony at the State Department at which he greeted delegates to the International Press Institute assembly. Mr. Dulles said:

"We hope that the preparatory talks which may get started within a few days — I don't know — may permit a sufficient preparation so that some substantial and meaningful agreements can later be reached. We would rush into those talks — whether through diplomatic, Foreign Ministers or other channels — if they would have any chance whatsoever, and if they would lead to a reduction of armaments on a balanced basis consistent with the security of all nations and of the organizations which maintain the peace."

What the U.S. thought was that it might be possible to agree on some segments of the problem and that reductions could be achieved in some of the nuclear weapons.

Agree on Broad Lines

The Nato source in Paris said the Permanent Council agreed on the broad lines of the West's response to the Soviet proposal. The British, French and American replies were reported to be drafted in such a way as to meet the Russian proposal, but leaving Moscow in no doubt that the west still maintains that the core of the basic problems involved should be discussed, and not merely the question of procedure.

In any case, it was expected that the envoys of the Western Big Three in Moscow would on Thursday go to the Kremlin "and see what the Russians have in mind," the source said.

WEU Group Rejects Atom-Free Plan

PARIS, Monday (Reuter). — The Western European Union (WEU) Defence and Armaments Committee tonight rejected as a "political trap" the Polish Rapacki plan for an atom-free zone in Central Europe.

The Committee voted 11 to 44 in favour of a draft resolution submitted by Mr. Frans Goedhart, Dutch Socialist M.P. This expressed an opinion on the military implications of a policy of disengagement in Central Europe, requested by the Consultative Assembly of the 15-nation Council of Europe, to whom the resolution will be submitted at a Strasbourg meeting from April 28 to May 3.

The WEU Committee met today under the chairmanship of Col. J. J. Fens of the Netherlands, who declined to disclose who were the four members who voted against the resolution.

U.S. Air Force Plane Crashes in Britain

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — A twin-engined reconnaissance plane from the U.S hydrogen bomb base at Scurthorpe, Norfolk, crashed near Farenham this afternoon.

It is understood there were no survivors. Three bodies were recovered by tonight.

Poland Curbs Workers Councils

WARSAW, Monday (Reuter). — Workers Councils, the self-governing employees organizations which became a symbol of the "new freedom" after Poland's bloodless revolt against Stalinism in 1956, are to have their powers drastically cut.

Mr. Wladyslaw Gomulka, the Communist leader, told the opening session of the fourth Trade Union Congress here today that the achievements of the Councils were good so far, but added that the institutions were a "very imperfect form."

In future, he said, the four basic control bodies of factory life — management, the works committee (the Communist Party cell), the factory councils (the trade union group) and the workers councils — could be grouped together in a single body — the "Conference of Workers self-government."

Mr. Gomulka took a tougher line than in previous speeches on industrial strikes. He said in Socialist states there can be contradictions between the state and the working masses, but not antagonistic contradictions. Through its own organizations, the working class can always defend its interests and find redress without recourse to strike action, he added.

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Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ishak Ben-Zvi yesterday entertained to lunch the Soviet Ambassador, Mr. Michael V. Bodrov; the Swedish Ambassador and Mrs. Osten Lundberg, and the Swiss Ambassador, Mr. Emile Bisang. Mrs. Chaim Weizmann, Mrs. Golda Meir, Foreign Minister, Justice S. Agranat, Mr. G. Schocken, M.K., Mr. A. Meskin, Mr. A. Levavi, and their ladies, and Mrs. E. Shapiro were present.

The President yesterday received Professor A. Marchionini, Chairman of the Friends of the Hebrew University in Munich, and Mrs. Marchionini.

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The Swiss Ambassador, Mr. Emile Bisang, yesterday paid a courtesy call on Mrs. Golda Meir, Foreign Minister, in Jerusalem. Mr. Bisang was also received by Mr. Mordechai Bentov, Minister of Development.

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Mr. Dov Sattath, Counsellor in charge of the Consular Section of the Israel Legation in Bucharest, has been appointed Chargé d'Affaires of the Israel Legation in Sofia, Bulgaria, in place of Mr. Reuven Nall. Mr. Nall is to return home next month after completing his tour of duty and will be appointed Deputy Director of the Foreign Ministry's International Organizations Division.

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The Belgian Minister and Mrs. Amaury Holvoet gave a reception on Saturday night at their Ramat Gan residence for the tennis players from France and Cyprus who have been participating in the Passover International Tournament in Tel Aviv. The French Players, Mr. F. Nys and Mr. C. Viron, left for home yesterday by El Al.

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The Pauline and Joseph Arnold clinic will be opened in Kiryat Bialik (Haifa) by Kupat Holim, at 4.30 this afternoon in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, of New Jersey, U.S.A.

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Rabbi Zvi Brandwein, Director of the Department of Religious Supplies of the Histadrut, was guest of honour at a reception given recently by the department on the occasion of the publication of his book "Rungs of the Ladder," an interpretation of the Zohar.

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Mr. I. Tarshish was yesterday elected to the Board of the Committee of Daily Newspaper Editors, replacing Mr. Y. Amit who has completed his two years of duty. Mr. T. R. Lurie and Mr. A. Dissentchik were re-elected to the Board.

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Mr. Ritchie Calder, the well-known science writer, and Mrs. Calder, visited the Hebrew University yesterday morning and were afterwards guests of honour at a University luncheon.

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Professor Otto H. Frankel, Chief of the Division of Plant Industry of the Commonwealth Scientific Research Organization, Canberra, Australia, will lecture on "Genetics and Plant Improvement, in the Wix Auditorium at the Weizmann Institute of Science, tomorrow, at 11.30 a.m.

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Dr. Hilde Bruch, Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Columbia University, will lecture on "Psychosomatic Aspects of Obesity" under the joint auspices of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, the Israel Medical Association and the Hadassah Medical Organization today, at 7.45 p.m., in Lecture Hall "A", the Medical School.

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BIRTHS

KESTENBAUM — To Sara and Lionel Kestenbaum, in Washington, D.C., on March 20, 1958, a daughter — Constance (Hannah) Rachel.

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NARUNSKY — To Reuben and Yvonne Narunsky, on Thursday, April 10, 1958, at the Assuta Hospital, Tel Aviv, a daughter, sister to Eylan— Laura Ann.

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BAR MITZVAH

Mr. and Mrs. Reuven Rubin will be at home on Saturday, April 19, 1958, from 5 to 8 p.m., at their residence, 14 Rehov Bialik, Tel Aviv, on the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah of their son, David. Friends are cordially invited.

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Rovell of Jerusalem, together with the Government Tourist Corporation, will present a Fashion Show at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem, at 4.30 sharp this afternoon. The Show will feature fashions by Rovell and the WIZO Home Industries and will be under the patronage of Mrs. Rebecca Sieff, President of World WIZO. Tickets are on sale at the Government Tourist Information Office, 60 King George Avenue, Jerusalem. *(Advt.)*

SHARETT REPORTS ON U.J.A. TOUR

Mr. Moshe Sharett, M.K., yesterday reported to the Jewish Agency Executive on his recent UJA lecture tour in the U.S. and Canada. He expressed his great admiration for the devotion of the Jewish communities and leaders in these two countries to the cause of Israel.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post April 15, 1958

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Civil Appeal

Before Justices Silberg, Landau and Witkon.

Yeshayahu Brodner v. Yitzhak Trisman, (C.A. 24/58).

Appeal Still Lies Against Registrar's Decisions

The Registrar of the Haifa District Court had ordered Yitzhak Trisman not to leave the country and to deposit his passport with the court. This decision was overruled by District Court Judge Gubernik, whereupon Yeshayahu Brodner appealed to the Supreme Court against the decision of the District Court.

The respondent's Counsel raised a preliminary point before the Supreme Court arguing that the decision of the District Court was final and no appeal lay against it.

Sections 8(2) and 8(3) of the Registrars Ordinance, 1936, lays down that a person aggrieved by certain decisions of a Registrar may apply to the District Court to which the Registrar is attached, to have them set aside, the decision of the District Court then being final, while with regard to certain other decisions, the Registrar's word is final.

The Supreme Court had held, however, in C.A. 238/54 (P.D. 10/112) that those provisions in section 8 referring to the finality of decisions are null and void as they are ultra vires Article 43 of the Order-in-Council. Since this judgment was handed down, however, the new Courts Law was promulgated and section 48 (8) of this law repeals Article 43 of the Order-in-Council.

The respondent's Counsel argued, therefore, that as Article 43 had been repealed, section 8 of the Registrar's Ordinance could no longer be ultra vires and its provisions with regard to the finality of the Registrar's and the District Court's decisions must be regarded as having been re-instated.

Mr. Tovbin appeared for the appellant and Mr. Davidowitz for the respondent.

Decision

Justice Witkon, who delivered the decision of the Supreme Court on this preliminary point, pointed out that section 14 (b) (1) of the Interpretation Ordinance lays down that "where any enactment repeals any law, such repeal shall not, unless the contrary intention appears, revive anything not in force or existing at the time at which the repeal takes effect." The "anything" referred to in this section, he continued, includes a statute, law or right (see Craies On Statute Law, 5th ed. p 323).

There is no doubt, Justice Witkon held, that at the time Article 43 was repealed by the Courts Law, 1957, those provisions of section 8 of the Registrars Ordinance which purported to make certain decisions of the Registrar and the District Court final, were "not in force or existing" as they had been declared null and void by the Supreme Court.

As to the respondent's attempt to rely on section 49(4) of the Courts Law, Justice Witkon said this section, which lays down that the new law shall not in any way derogate from any other law which denies or restricts the right of appeal, was meant to apply to existing laws but not to laws which were non-existent *ab initio*. Nor is there any other provision in the Courts Law from which the contrary intention appears.

However, Justice Witkon continued, if section 8 no longer denies the right of appeal to the Supreme Court this does not mean that it automatically grants this right. The question remains, therefore, whether there is any provision which grants a right of appeal against a District Court's reversal of a decision of the Registrar, since the previous law granting this right (Article 43) has been repealed.

The answer to this question, he held, may be found in section 19(b) of the Courts Law which lays down that an appeal lies to the Supreme Court against any judgment of a District Court sitting in an appellate capacity, if leave to appeal has been granted. This provision would apply equally to a decision of the District Court overriding an act or order of the Registrar of that court.

The respondent's preliminary argument should therefore be dismissed.

Decision given on March 26, 1958.

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English: 1.45 p.m. **French:** 2.00 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.47 Musical Clock (R).

11.00 Popular Concert: Oboe Concerto (Krommer); Symphony in D, op. 18 No. 2 (Clementi); Suite (Clark). 12.00 Woman's Corner. 12.15 Lunchtime Music — Soloist: Michele Arnaud (Vocalist). 1.00 Oriental Songs.

5.05 Popular Songs & Tunes. 5.30 Popular Songs & Tunes. 5.50 Tora Lesson, by Dr. N. Leibovitz. 5.55 Musical Miniatures. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Choral Excerpts from Italian Operas. 6.50 On the Asor. 7.17 "We Present Tonight." 7.30 Light Music. 7.35 Everyday Hebrew. 7.35 Histadrut Activities. 7.55 Interlude. 8.00 "Noah's Ark." 8.45 Minister's Summary — The First Asor in Ministry of Labour — By Mordechai Namir. 8.55 Bible Reading: Proverbs, Chap. 9. 9.15 Concert by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra—Conductor: H. Freudenthal. Soloist: Sh. Mishory (Viola) — Ballet Music from "Idomeneo" (Mozart); Violin Concerto in E-major (Bach); "Tsigane," for Violin & Orchestra (Ravel). 10.00 Talk on the Concert. 10.10 Concert (Contd.): Symphony No. 1 (Shlomo Ya'as).

SECOND PROGRAMME
427, 460, 292.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 5.45 Yemenites Programme. 6.00 "Music off the Beaten Track." 6.30 Mishna Lesson. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.00 Rumanian. 8.15 Hungarian. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Interval. 9.15 Polish. 9.30 French. 10.00 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
467 & 41.07 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30—7.15 a.m. 1.15—2.15 and 5.30—9.45 p.m. 5.15 Persian.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.):
Programme to South Africa: 6.30 News. 6.45 Topical Talk, by Harry Levin. 6.50 South Africans in Israel. 7.05 "Coming to Israel." 7.10 Musical Interlude. 7.15 Yiddish.

Programme to the U.K.: 11.30 News. 11.45 Topical Talk, by Harry Levin. 11.50 Visit to Kiryat Yosef. 12.15 "Counting the Omer" — By A. Newman.

ARMY PROGRAMME (48.4, 216, 235 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 News. 7.10 "The Voice & the Instrument." 7.30 Officers to Soldiers. 7.40 "Bow & Arrow." 8.00 "Noah's Ark" (Kol Yisrael). 8.55 Interlude. 9.00 News. 9.15 "The Walls Listen." 10.00 Dance Music.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (13.90, 16.84 & 24.60 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. "Mid-Week Magazine."

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme — (434 & 495 M.): 12.30 Midday Melodies. 7.15 Famous Operatic Melodies. 10.00 "Ten O'Clock Tunes." 10.45 The Ray Ellington Quartet.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Meir, Sansur Bldg., Jaffa Rd., 4192.
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HAIFA: Balfour, 1 Massada, 2289.

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JERUSALEM: Dr. Grunwald, 22 Bin Nun, 62962. Dr. Gal, 24 Hashayarot, 3333. Dr. Shor, 45 Rashi.

Where to go

• **Meet the Israeli :—**
Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

JERUSALEM

• **Zoo :—**
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8.30-6.

• **Exhibitions:—**
1) Permanent Exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. 2) Ancient Pottery, Glass and Textiles from various civilizations. 3) Preview of Primitive Sculpture. 4) Animals in graphic arts. 5) Mordechai Narkiss Memorial Exhibition. 6) Paintings and drawings by Yehoshua Kovarsky. Bezalel 9-1. 2.30-5.

Permanent Exhibition of Antiquities. Recent finds: Chalcolithic Ossuaries from Azor and marble statue of Nemesis. Department of Antiquities, 36 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1, 3-5.

10 Years of Painting and Sculpture, Spring Exhibition of Jerusalem Artists, Artists' House, 10-1; 4-7.

Gouaches 1957/58 by Fima (E. Roeytenberg). Silver jewellery by Seri (exclusive to Georg Jensen Inc., Fifth Avenue, N.Y.C.). Rina Gallery, 13 Princess Mary Avenue (entrance Rehov Yanai). Tel. 5910.

Oils, water colours, drawings by Ludwig Jonas. Sculptures by K. E. Marcus. Nora Art Gallery, 9 Maimon Avenue, 10-1; 3-6.

• **Film Shows:—**
Israel films daily 11.30 a.m. Keren Hayesod Hall.

• **Tours:—**
Hebrew University Conducted Tour, daily, every hour on the hour 9-1; 3-6. New University Campus. Every Tuesday leaving Administration Bldg. 11 a.m. a visit to Hebrew University Hadassah Medical School in Ein Karem. Phone (until Monday) 62980 for bookings.

Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting at 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 4041, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

• **Libraries:—**
Bezalel Museum, Sunday to Thursday 9-1; 3-5.

• **Schocken Library:—**
Exhibition of the three medieval illuminated MSS: the Nuremberg Mansor; two Passover Haggadot. Schocken Library, 10-1, 4-6.

• **Fashion Show :—**
Wizo Fashion show — and cocktail party: King David Hotel, 4.30 p.m.; tickets available at Govt. Tourist Office.

TEL AVIV

• **Entertainments—**
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"Israel Nights," Cavalcade of Israel Folklore, Mann Auditorium, 9.30.

• **Z.O.A. Houses —**
Musical Film Club — "La Porta Del Destino" (members only), 7 and 9.15.

• **Tourist Service :—**
Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon; Tel. 23239.

• **Exhibitions:—**
Mokady, 30 years of painting (1928-1958); Bat Yosef (Miriam Heilerman), Paintings and Watercolours. Ferro (Iceland) — Paintings and Drawings; Museum, 10-1, 4-7.

Exhibition by Artists of Kibbutz Artzi: Artists House, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 10-1, 4-7.

• **Circus :—**
Medrano, Malchei Yisrael, 3 perfs.: 10.30, 3.30 and 8.

• **Theatre :—**
Habimah, "The Egg" (Workers) 8.

Ohel Shem, "Death of a Salesman" (Yiddish, with Joseph Buloff).

Ohel, "Prisoner No. 72," premiere performance, 8.

Cameri — "Tales of Lydda." Premiere performance, 8.

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• **Theatre:—**
Habimah, "Visions of Simone Machard." 8.

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Polish Scientist Thanks Ben-Gurion

Professor T. Kotarbinski, President of the Polish Academy of Sciences, who recently visited Israel, has sent a letter to the Prime Minister expressing his warmest gratitude for enabling his wife and himself "to visit your country where we enjoyed an extraordinary hospitality."

"I am deeply impressed he writes, by the enthusiasm of creative spirit to be found in all the fields of economic, scientific and pedagogical institutions of your country.

"I have a great esteem and admiration for the workers of the kibbutzim and for the prevailing atmosphere of socialist cooperation, which I saw there.

"Reverting in my thoughts to those interesting problems of a moral and ideological nature discussed during the audience which you were so kind to grant us, I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of our highest consideration."

Yadin to Lecture Abroad on Scrolls

Dr. Yigael Yadin, Lecturer in Archaeology at the Hebrew University, is leaving today for London in connection with the Hazor exhibition in memory of the late Mr. James de Rothschild, due to open in the British Museum on May 2. While abroad he will also visit a number of European countries.

In Belgium he will lecture on the Dead Sea Scrolls at the University of Brussels and will deliver an address at the Israel Pavilion at the Brussels Fair on the occasion of Israel's Independence Day. Later, he will lecture on the Hazor excavations at the Universities of Leyden, Amsterdam, Utrecht and Nijmegen in Holland, at the Historical Museum at Stockholm, and under the auspices of the Friends of the Hebrew University in Copenhagen.

In Austria, besides delivering two lectures at the University of Vienna, Dr. Yadin will lecture to the Austrian General Staff on Israel's War of Independence and its Defence Forces.

Dr. Zohary, 60

Colleagues and friends of Dr. Michael Zohary, Professor of Botany at the Hebrew University, gathered in Canada Hall on the University campus on Sunday to congratulate him on the occasion of his sixtieth birthday.

Prof. M. Evenari, Vice-President of the University and himself a distinguished botanist, paid tribute to Prof. Zohary as a scientist who had greatly benefited this country both through his researches and his work in training a generation of botanists. He spoke warmly of Prof. Zohary as a colleague with whom he shared many memories going back to the early days of the Botany Department.

Prof. Zohary, who was born in Austria and received his doctor's degree in science at the German University in Prague, has been on the staff of the Hebrew University since the year of its official opening in 1925. He has carried out numerous researches in the flora and vegetation of Israel and the neighbouring countries, the results of which have been published in many papers as well as a number of books. In 1954 he was awarded the Israel Prize for Natural Sciences.

Death of Brassiere Chief, W. Rosenthal

BAYVILLE, (Long Island) Monday. — William Rosenthal, president and chairman of the board of the Maiden Form Brassiere Company, died on Saturday, at the age of 76, of a heart attack.

A sculptor by avocation, he made a bronze bust of Colonel David Marcus. The bust has been placed on permanent display in the Marcus Military Library in Israel.

He was a founder of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of the Yeshiva University, a member of B'nai B'rith, and frequently chairman for fund drives in the corset and brassiere industry on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

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High Fee Complaint At Technion Trade School

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — Pupils of the Technion-affiliated Trade and Secondary School do not benefit from the lower and graded tuition fees which have now been introduced in secondary schools teaching only theoretical subjects, parents have learnt to their surprise. Some who wanted to enrol their sons at the Trade School have had to change their plans and send them to secondary schools whose reduced tuition fees they can afford.

A representative of the Parents Committee of the Technion Trade School told the Press today that neither the Ministry of Education and Culture nor the Labour Ministry offered any help towards the stiff tuition fees of the Trade and Secondary School, most of whose pupils come from veteran working class families. Only immigrants' children obtain some degree of relief through stipends. A small sum to be granted by Haifa Municipality towards tuition fees for the pupils of veteran families did not solve the parents' problem, he said.

"Unless discrimination between the two types of secondary education is eliminated, it will turn our best pupils to book studies and away from learning a practical trade," the Parents Committee warned.

The Technion Trade School, now 25 years old, is excellently equipped and shares many of its teachers with the Technion. It now gives courses in 14 types of trades, among them tool and die making (the only course in the country), industrial electronics, and a five-year course in building technology.

Next term girls are to be enrolled for the first time. "We have pedagogical reasons for introducing co-education. We also want to raise the productivity of the country's human resources, and to stimulate competition by admitting talented girls," headmaster Y. Touri explained. "In technical drawing, for instance, women excel in many countries. And there are other trades eminently suitable for girls," he said.

This year, 747 pupils are enrolled at the Trade School, and the numbers are growing year by year. To mark its 25th anniversary, the Trade School will hold an exhibition at the end of May as part of "Technion Week," and will put on show examples of its regular production lines.

During the past ten years the institution has tripled its size. Gradually, during the next few years, the School will move to the Technion City on Mt. Carmel. The first building, to house the Department of Electrical Trades and to bear the names of Hanna and Alexander Konoff, is already under construction and will be ready in the autumn of 1959.

Yesterday's Press

Khrushchev's Charge Rejected

Al Hamishmar (Mapam), which assumes that Khrushchev's attack on the Jews springs either from abysmal ignorance of facts or from wilful animosity, writes that though it does not see eye to eye with the Israel Government's policy it still can only reject the Soviet dictator's charge of Israel's thanklessness. Soviet Russia, it argues, did not do us a special favour by supporting the establishment of the State; it only carried out its socialist duty of redressing the injustices meted out to the Jewish people for generations. If we had hoped, concludes the paper, that Khrushchev's coming to power would eradicate the wrongdoings of the Stalin regime, we have been sorely mistaken and it seems that we shall only now have to begin our struggle.

Lamerchav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) writes that if there is any sense at all in continuing this public debate over Jewry, Birobidjan and Israel, it reposes in the one demand that the Soviet Jews be permitted to take their destiny into their own hands and shape it in accordance with their own desires and aspirations. Let History decide whether Khrushchev's private appraisal is correct or whether it is only an angry bubble inconsistent with the Soviet-Socialist principle of construction and self-determination.

For Hamodia (World Aguda), the opprobrium that Khrushchev heaps upon Jewry as a whole and his analysis of the Jewish character prove once more that the characteristics he exposed are those which have made the State of Israel "a going concern." Let us hope that it will not be long ere the dictator, discouraged in his hope "to make something of his Jews," will let them go forth to their own homeland.

Kol Ha'am (Communist) does not agree that Lavon's Solel Boneh reorganization plan is the real panacea for laying low the Golem that is threatening its maker. The real danger of the breaking up of the concern into three parts lies in making each more vulnerable to the ravages of American capital to the detriment of the working class, which must not only fight the plan but strive to break up the Histadrut's partnership with foreign capital, emancipate it from the chains of imperialistic monopolies and hand over to labour what rightly belongs to it.

Arguing that the American Express Company's plea for closing its Israel offices (lack of business) becomes totally untenable in the light of its latest attempt to get the Hertz company to break off negotiations here, Davar (Histadrut) notes that we should not be content in exposing American Express for its ignominious retreat and adds that we have the moral right to call upon the world's Jews to boycott the company just as it has boycotted Israel.

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Meron Pilgrims Asked To Contact Ministry

To prevent disruption in the traditional *Lag B'omer* pilgrimage to Meron, organizations and institutions planning to take part are requested to inform the Ministry of Religious Affairs of their scheduled time of arrival at Meron and the number of participants.

The Ministry declared yesterday that it was doing its utmost to allow an unlimited number of participants this year. To this end it was improving the approaches and parking lots at Meron.

Lowenstein Gifts

Beth Hillel, Jerusalem
Tonight at 8.45 :
"Passover Among the Samaritans"
Illustrated lecture by
Dr. ZEEV VILNAI
★
Thursday, April 17, at 8.45:
"Is the State of Israel weakening the Jewishness of World Jewry"
Debate between
Prof. N. Rotenstreich and Prof. I. Leibowitz

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Inbal Plays to Packed House at Oslo

OSLO, Monday (Reuter). — The Israel ballet group "Inbal" last night played to a packed house at the Folk Theatre, at the beginning of a fortnight of celebrations for the 10th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel.

Prime Minister Einar Gerhadsen, Mayor of Oslo Adolf Stranger and representatives of the Foreign Department and of the Diplomatic Corps attended the performance.

Mr. Trygve Lie, former United Nations Secretary General, who is chairman of the celebrations committee, will address a meeting in the University on April 27 together with C. J. Hamberg, former President of the Storting (Parliament).

Joint Haifa Region Planning Body Urged

HAIFA, Monday. — A unified planning body for the Haifa-Kiryat Tivon-Acre triangle, taking in all of the Zevulun Plain, for study and joint action on all development problems, was proposed by Prof. Aaron B. Horwitz, head of the Town Planning Division of the Technion, today. Speaking at the Kishon Rotary Club on "The Future of the Haifa Region as a place to live and to make a living in," he suggested that a non-political service association, like Rotary, should sponsor the formation of such a body.

Prof. Horwitz stressed the gains in efficiency, economy and quality of services from the coordinated solutions of problems affecting population distribution, employment, transportation, traffic routing, development of tourist assets, water supply, sewerage and garbage collection.

Town planning and uniform building regulations and control could benefit much from joint action, he said, health services, schools and libraries should also be planned and operated on a regional basis.

"Consider, for example, preparing for future growth," Prof. Horwitz said. "If we add together the estimates of the population which each locality is trying to prepare for, we get a figure for this region which is several times the realistic probability. Neither the localities nor the nation can afford the consequences of this over-estimation. Our slogan might well be 'not bigger, but better'."

Yacht Will Go By Land to Eilat

BEERSHEBA, Monday. — A 130-ton yacht for tourists in Eilat Bay will be transported overland from Haifa tomorrow via Beersheba. The 23-metre-long vessel has sleeping accommodation for 16 persons. It is powered by two diesel engines and two screws.

The yacht was recently purchased by an Eilat travel agent, Mr. Yehuda Bachar.

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B. Charlton Chosen To Play for England

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — Bobby Charlton, of Manchester United, a survivor of the Munich air crash last February, has been chosen to play inside right for England against Scotland in the soccer international at Hampden Park, Glasgow, next Saturday.

The only other newcomer is Fulham's left back Jim Langley. He, Bill Slater (left half) and Derek Kevan (centre-forward) take over the places left vacant at the deaths of the Manchester United players Roger Byrne, Duncan Edwards and Tommy Taylor.

Langley is a forceful player with considerable representative experience. Slater, a powerful halfback, played for England against Wales and Germany in the 1954/55 season.

Scotland have made one change in their defence but the attack has been reorganized from that which played in the drawn match against France last November. Herd and Murray on the right wing are both new internationals. Mudie switches to centre-forward and Brown is recalled at inside right.

Rocky Not Making Come-Back

MIAMI BEACH, Monday (Reuter). — Rocky Marciano, who retired as undefeated world heavyweight champion two years ago, says he has no intention of making a comeback.

"I have heard that I might get as much as two million dollars by coming out of retirement and boxing Floyd Patterson, the present champion," said Marciano.

"I couldn't come back if I wanted to. I have become too heavy and could not get into condition. I am also too old (he is 33). I would not want to have the experience shared by Joe Louis and Ezzard Charles when they tried to come back."

Bassey Would Fight Brown for Title

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuter). — Mr. George Middles, manager of world featherweight champion Hogan Bassey, said here that Bassey would be willing to fight Joe Brown for the world lightweight title.

Asked when he expected Bassey to defend his featherweight title again, Mr. Middles replied: "The moment a money earner of the calibre of Richardo Moreno comes along." Bassey knocked out Moreno in the third round in the first defence of his title last week.

SAILS. — Princess Soraya, 25-year-old ex-Queen of Persia, sailed from Genoa today for New York in the U.S. liner Constitution.

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Lecture :

Dr. O. H. Frankel, F.R.S.

Chief Division of Plant Industry, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, Canberra, Australia, will lecture on "Agricultural Research in Australia" at the lecture hall of the Agricultural Research Station Rehovot on Wednesday, April 16, 1958 at 3 p.m.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM
At 3.30, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.
ARNON: Slave Girl of the Amorres.
EDEN: The Teahouse of the August Moon.
TEL OR: Mi Tio Jacinto
ORION: Amber.
RON: Aber Kisha.
ORNA: It's Great to be Young.
OR GIL: Love in the Afternoon.
ZION HALL: Omar Khayyam.
EDISON: Stampeded.
STUDIO: The King and I.

TEL AVIV
ALLENBY: The Admirable Crichton.
ARMON DAVID: The Long Grey Line.
CHEN: Loving You.
EDEN: The Thief of Bombay.
DAN: Bonnie Scotland.
ESTHER: Silk Stockings.
GAT: The Valley of Peace.
MAXIM: The Young Stranger.
MIGDALOR: The Bolshoi Ballet.
MOGRABI: Toora.
OPHIR: Die Deutschmeister.
ORION: Punktchen und Anton.
PEER: Oh My Papa.
SHDEROTH: Riffi.
TAMAR: The Cranes are Flying.
TEL AVIV: A Farewell to Arms.
YARON: Sayonara.
ZAMIR: Twelve Angry Men.
ZAFON: Ich Und Meine Frau.

HAIFA
ATZMON: Invitation to the Dance
MORIAH: All That Heaven Knows.
PEER: La Mome Vert De Gris.
ARMON: Adam and Eve.
EN DOR: Boot Polish.
ORLY: Will Any Gentleman?
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Today's Postbag

The Weather

OUTLOOK: Sharav.

Weather Synopsis: A complex depression extending from Cyrenaica to Egypt is causing a south-easterly circulation with sharav conditions in the Israel region.

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	36	17	28	29
Tiberias	35	17	31	32
Haifa Port	35	16	29	30
Natanya	40	13	26	28
Tel Aviv Kirya	34	13	27	28
Tel Aviv Port	76	15	23	24
Lydda Airport	34	8	31	33
Jerusalem	13	15	30	31
Beersheba	10	15	26	27
Sdom	21	16	31	38
Eilat	15	17	39	40

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. yesterday. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Dr. Ulderica Manas, a member of the Cuban delegation to the U.N. holding the rank of Minister, from London for a few days' visit, (by BEA).

Mr. Jose Ventura, Chairman of the United Israel Appeal in Argentina, for a short visit, (by Alitalia).

Dr. Otto Frankel, world famed Australian geneticist, for a short visit under the auspices of the Ministry of Agriculture, (by Air France).

Mayor Andrew Jakomas of McKeesport, Pennsylvania, for a week's visit, to include a tour of development projects sponsored by Israel Bonds. He is accompanied by Mr. Samuel Sabin, an active Bond leader in McKeesport.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Newmark, active Bond leaders in Philadelphia, for a two-week visit.

Mr. Haim Raday, Deputy Director-General of the Ministry of Labour, from participation in a meeting of the Regional Conference of the I.L.O. in Istanbul (by Sabena).

Mrs. Juliette Stern, President of the Wizo Federation of France, and Mrs. Anna Franks, Honorary President of the Women's Zionist Council of Southern Africa, to participate in the plenary session of the World Wizo Executive.

DEPARTURES

Mr. Y. Harari, M.K., for Paris to participate in Tenth Anniversary celebrations there, (by Air France).

Mr. Aharon Rosenfeld, Honorary Belgian Consul-General in Haifa, for the opening of the Brussels Fair, (by Sabena).

Mr. Y. Dunsky, returning to South Africa, after attending the Zionist General Council meeting, (by El Al).

Mr. Shaul Bar-Zeev, of the Transport Ministry's Shipping and Ports Division, to attend the international conference on maritime law in Geneva, and then a conference of the I.L.O. on seamen's labour contracts, (by El Al).

Mr. Y. Lifschitz, Director of the Equipment Import Department of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, for a visit to several European industrial equipment fairs, (by Air France).

FIVE MORE counterfeit IL10 notes were found on Sunday by police in Beersheba. Two were handed in by the Workers Bank, and the other three were found in the possession of a local resident, Mr. Moshe Ben Ezra, who was arrested.

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A NAVAL officer and a sailor were arrested by the military police last week while trying to smuggle a radio set and other goods out of the port. They had brought the goods with them from a trip abroad.

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A 28-YEAR-OLD mute of Jaffa was yesterday sentenced to four months' imprisonment for committing an indecent act on a five-year-old girl of Tel Aviv.

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SIX WORLD WAR I and II silver medals were reportedly stolen from the room of a Canadian tourist, Mr. Y. Heshevsky, 65, staying in a Ramat Gan hotel.

New Appointments To Judiciary

The President yesterday appointed five District Court judges and three magistrates on the recommendation of the Judiciary Nominations Committee.

Magistrates Avinoam Eden, Baruch Caspi, Zvi Alon and Max Czernobilsky were elevated to the District Court, and Mr. Moshe Ben-Ze'ev was also appointed to that bench.

Messrs. Eliahu Glassner, Zalman Yehudai and Aharon Simha were appointed to the Magistrate's Court.

The Minister of Justice, Mr. P. Rosen, and the Director of Courts Administration, Judge Y. Eisenberg, were present at yesterday's swearing-in ceremony where the new judges and magistrates received their letters of appointment from the President.

High Court to Hear Joanovici Plea

A second application by Joseph Joanovici for an order nisi calling on the Minister of Interior to show cause why he should not be granted immigrant status, and to prevent his expulsion from the country, will be heard in the High Court at the end of this month.

Joanovici had withdrawn his first application after the Minister had agreed to study his claims regarding his alleged collaboration in France with the Nazis. The Minister, after receiving documents from Joanovici's lawyer, Mr. Erwin Shimron, but without receiving Mr. Shimron in person, turned down Joanovici's plea last week. *(Itim)*

Local Authorities Threaten Cut in Social Services

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The Union of Local Authorities council today threatened to withdraw its participation in financing all education, health and welfare services which they run jointly with the Government. Its council passed a resolution to this effect in protest against the high proportion of their share, and in view of the Minister of Interior's refusal to approve rates increases in certain localities.

The Union also decided to apply to the Prime Minister for clarification of the Minister's right to amend budgets decided on by local councils. It claimed that the right was hitherto considered merely formal, and not exercised. The Minister's action undermined the authority of locally-elected bodies, it said.

As a protest, leaders of the Union, today boycotted a meeting of the Union with the Minister, Mr. I. Bar Yehuda, at Tel Aviv Council hall.

At the meeting, Mr. Bar-Yehuda proposed a series of municipal rates reforms, the most immediate to be the assessment of one-third of the general rates in accordance with income tax.

Discussion was postponed to a future meeting.

Unemployment Down To Low Record

Unemployment has fallen to minimum proportions in the last few weeks and now stands at 6,293 persons, the Ministry of Labour announced yesterday.

The sharp drop in the number of jobless—with a shortage of workers in some places—is attributed to the lack of rain which caused the advancement of the summer's agricultural plans; the need to finish winter harvests and the general rise in work opportunities before the Passover holidays.

The main centres of unemployment were: Haifa, 1,028; Tel Aviv, 554; Ramat Gan, 410; Beersheba, 276; Jerusalem, 261; B'nei Brak, 249; Ashkelon, 204; Lydda, 174, and Ramle, 171.

T.A. Labour to Hold May 1 Parade

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday. — This city is to hold a May Day parade this year, with emphasis on workers' participation in Tenth Anniversary celebrations. This decision was taken yesterday by the Labour Council, consequent on the opinion expressed by the Histadrut that it was up to local labour councils to decide whether to hold the parades this year.

In previous years, May Day had been a general Histadrut festival, with the participation of all labour councils.

Kibbutzim and moshavim are expected to join the Tel Aviv demonstration.

Workshops Move To Negev Town

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA, Monday. — Two workshops are shortly to be opened in Kfar Yeruham by private investors.

A weaving plant is to be transferred there from Jaffa by its owner, a newcomer two years ago from Bulgaria, Mr. Shlomo Elazar. It will employ 20 persons.

The second enterprise, for the manufacture of rubber accessories for cars, is also to be transferred from Jaffa, by its owner, Mr. Y. Aaronson, a Rumanian immigrant. This will employ 15 workers.

Each is to invest IL40,000 in his project and receive a IL60,000 loan from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Kfar Yeroham has more than 200 families, all fully employed. It already possesses an ice plant, bakery, diamond cutting workshop, and table salt refinery.

Tourist Centre Plan For Negev Oasis

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A tourist centre is to be set up at Yotvata, some 40 kilometres north of Eilat, by the local kibbutz in partnership with private investors, it was yesterday learned in Jerusalem.

The partners have established a company called the Neoth Yotvata Development Corporation, and plan to build at the outset a hostel, buffet and gas station.

The site for the tourist centre is in a natural desert oasis.

The private investors group is represented by Mr. I. Perlman, formerly camp director at Timna.

Tel Aviv Sued On Parking Meters

The High Court yesterday granted an order nisi calling on the Tel Aviv Municipality to show cause why it should not announce a tender for the purchase of parking meters which the Municipality intends to install in the city. The Deputy President of the Court, Justice Cheshin, also granted an order nisi calling on the Minister of Interior to show cause why he should not withhold authorization of the purchase without such a tender.

The petitioner, Mr. Shlomo Valero, Jerusalem agent for Park-O-Meter, claimed that the Tel Aviv Municipality had declined to discuss his offer to supply the parking meters and, in contravention of the law, had not invited bids for the IL70,000 purchase. *(Itim)*

Production Engineering Studied at Koor

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — Koor, the Histadrut industrial concern, has established a production engineering department with an annual budget that now stands at IL100,000. The department has a staff of 60, including 24 production engineers and a number of production technicians.

Giving these details to the press today, Alug E. Ben-Hur, Director of the Department, stated that both management and workers were cooperating with his department, which had already achieved important results.

Employees are now completing a quality control course at the Technion, and his department was now preparing a catalogue of all raw materials available at Koor. When new plants are established, the department is consulted in order to avoid production pitfalls that would otherwise have to be eliminated later, the director said.

Groundnut Exports 4,000 Tons So Far

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Export of groundnuts by the Israel Groundnut Association have totalled 4,000 tons so far this year. It is estimated that the final figure will be 5,000 tons, it was yesterday announced by the spokesman of the Ministry of Agriculture in Jerusalem.

Last year, exports totalled 3,800 tons. The crop is expected to amount to 17,000 tons, of which about 2,000 tons were directed to oil production after having been damaged by the heavy rains at the beginning of the winter.

The biggest customer for Israel groundnuts has been France with an order for 1,300 tons. A new and promising market is Switzerland, which received 1,000 tons. The United Kingdom also bought 1,000 tons, and Poland 350.

Citrus Exports Up

Citrus exports totalled 7,370,000 cases by April 12, compared with 7,350,000 cases in the corresponding period last year, according to the Citrus Marketing Board.

Exports to the United Kingdom amounted to 3.2m. cases compared with 2.8m. cases last year. Exports to Belgium, Holland, Finland and France also showed an increase over exports during the corresponding period last year. A drop in exports is recorded in the German, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish and Yugoslavian markets.

The shipping of Shamuti oranges and grapefruit has ended and the last Valencia shipment is expected to leave on April 25. About 550,000 cases of Valencias are still to be sent.

Exports accounted for 76 per cent of the total crop, compared with 74 per cent last year. This, however, does not include, 7,500 tons of export grade grapefruit that were delivered to industry.

Court Order Against Mann Auditorium

TEL AVIV, Monday. — A temporary injunction was issued yesterday by District Court Judge E. Malchi, restraining the Mann Auditorium's management from leasing the hall at certain dates to anyone other than Mr. W. H. Robert. Mr. Robert, an impresario, has booked the auditorium for the performances of the London Festival Ballet during the first two weeks of June.

Mr. Robert claimed that on January 2 the auditorium confirmed that 12 days, between May 31 and June 14, would be set aside for the ballet's performances. Later, when Mr. Robert wanted to set the exact dates, he was informed that the hall was booked.

He claimed that the IPO had tried to engage the ballet, presenting itself as the "house owner" of the Mann Auditorium. After failing in these efforts, the orchestra made difficulties for him, he asserted.

The auditorium management is expected to reply in court to the impresario's charges within five days.

Stolen Coffee Found in Nazareth and Beisan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — Three sacks of green African coffee, which arrived through Eilat Port, are now stored in the local police H.Q., having completed a trip from a downtown store, in a burglar's van, to Beisan and Nazareth, and back to Haifa.

The three sacks, worth IL2,000, were stolen last Tuesday. Acting on the suggestion that they might be destined for such a heavy coffee-drinking centre as Nazareth, detectives went into action. By Thursday, they had information from that town that a coffee merchant had bought a sack from a man in Beisan. The police followed up this clue and found two of the sacks still with a Beisan resident.

The man claimed that a Haifaite, Shalom Aresh, known in various circles here as "Emil Ibji," had entrusted the coffee to him for safe keeping. The police confiscated the coffee and started looking for Emil, whom they soon picked up in Tel Aviv. He is known to the police as a confirmed criminal.

LYDDA WILL today receive the first visit of a Hebrew theatre when the Chamber Theatre gives the premiere performance of Moshe Shamir's play about the town, "Tales of Lydda."

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THE ENGINEERS Union Council yesterday approved the decision of the Union Secretariat calling off tomorrow's (Tuesday) general strike of engineers.

Lavon Wants State Buses

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Interurban bus transport should be run by a national company, and not by a cooperative, Mr. Pinhas Lavon, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, told the Mapai Convention steering committee last week. Mr. Lavon holds that a cooperative with a monopoly in any branch of the economy is not the best way to serve the public.

Mr. Lavon was the first of the leaders of Histadrut economy to report to the committee, which is charged with preparing draft resolutions for the Mapai convention on economic policy to be held here on May 13.

F and C Raise Output With Fewer Workers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — Output of Fertilizers and Chemicals Ltd. during the year 1957/58 rose by an average 25 per cent over the previous year's production, while the labour force was reduced by five per cent, the F and C spokesman announced this evening.

This increased productivity resulted from special efforts made during the year, he said. In some of the firm's plants, the output was up by as much as from 53 to 133 per cent over the previous year, he stated. No additional investments were made to achieve these results.

Technical committees were established at each plant; prizes were offered for efficiency suggestions and inventions; norms were fixed. Workers redundant in one operation were transferred to other plants opened during the year. Staff members attended technical courses, and preventive maintenance of plant reduced the overhaul periods, thus saving working time, it was reported.

Sand Encroachment Fought by Plants

HAIFA, Monday. — The encroachment of 2,000 dunams of sand dunes near Ma'agan Michael kibbutz, was halted during the past five years by the Soil Conservation Department of the Ministry of Agriculture. The dunes were advancing inland at the rate of four metres a year.

Newsmen who toured the area today were told that the sand dunes along the shores, down to the Gaza Strip, were threatening 400,000 dunams of arable land. By planting a certain type of shrub in the sand, the department is successfully halting the advance. Near Ma'agan Michael it even succeeded in turning 500 dunams of sand into a natural pasture that will be ready by next winter.

Sand reclamation costs about IL30 per dunam, and is executed by relief workers.

In the nearby Kabara swamps, the Department also reclaimed 600 dunams for natural pasture, at a cost of IL50 per dunam. This success has enabled the kibbutz to keep a herd of 300 head of beef cattle.

DROUGHT DAMAGE: IL 15m.—IL 18m.

The damage caused by the drought this year is estimated at between IL15m. and IL18m., it was learned from sources in the Ministry of Agriculture in Jerusalem yesterday.

The grain crop, which was worst hit, will, it is estimated, reach 180,000 tons compared to 250,000 in normal years. These estimates cover only damage in the Jewish sector, as the estimates of damage in the Arab sector mainly amonst the Beduin in the Negev, have not yet been received.

It was learned that the drought did not affect the entire country, though crops will be poorer everywhere. Complete drought was recorded from the Negev.

Compensation to farmers will probably cover only the cost of production outlays, and those areas which suffered a partial drought and are able to cover their own costs will not receive compensation. It is understood that the Government will cover the difference between revenue and cost of production, and in no case more.

WIZO LEADERS DUE TEL AVIV, Monday. — Thirteen members of the World Wizo Executive residing abroad are expected in Israel to participate in the Tenth Anniversary plenary session of their organization, which will open at Beit Sokolow, Tel Aviv, on Wednesday morning.

Schiff Backing Out Of Pool Company

Jerusalem Post Reporter

One of the three partners of the German Colony swimming pool, Mr. Haim Schiff, is expected to transfer his interest within a few days, it was learned yesterday in Jerusalem.

Orthodox circles have strongly objected to mixed bathing in the pool.

The transfer of Mr. Schiff's interest in the pool—possibly to some member of his family—will lift pressure from Mr. Schiff. It will also leave the future of the pool's "bathing policy" in doubt.

Both his partners, who are now abroad, have several times expressed a preference to remain anonymous since publicity of the partnership in the pool might prove embarrassing to their other business ventures.

The Jerusalem Religious Council has stated that the two hotels managed by Mr. Schiff, the President and the Orgil, no longer have a *hechsher*.

Members of the Religious Council met yesterday with Rabbi Avraham Adler, who has supervised the *kashrut* of the President Hotel for the past four years, to discuss the problem.

Mr. Schiff said yesterday that he expected to be reinstated in the good graces of the Religious Council within a few days.

If not, he would apply for an order nisi from the Supreme Court. The Religious Council would be asked to show cause why the hotels were not being declared kasher when in fact they were.

He added that no guest has yet left the hotels due to the Council's announcement.

The Civil Service Commission yesterday denied reports that it had requested the Finance Ministry to purchase the Orgil hotel as offices for the Commission.

Although discussions had taken place along this line, it was said that the Commission decided that the hotel was not suitable for offices.

Eilat Tackles Tourist Anarchy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT, Monday. — Police last night raided several unlicensed bars that had been opened here in anticipation of the recent swarm of tourists, and confiscated large quantities of liquor.

The Local Council is investigating legal ways to restrain nightseers from causing damage to local property. This follows the fact that more than IL5,000 damage was inflicted on private and public property by weekend trippers last Friday.

It is learned that the Local Council has decided to sue the group of Tel Aviv Hamashbir Hamercazi workers who allegedly broke into the local kindergarten and damaged furniture.

School Lists Open Tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Registration of children for kindergarten and the first grade of elementary school will take place throughout the country between tomorrow and the end of the month.

This early registration is intended to ensure ample time to prepare facilities for next semester beginning September 1, Dr. M. Avidor, Director General of the Ministry of Education and Culture, told a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday.

Some 50,000 five-year-olds are eligible to begin kindergarten next semester and an equal number of six-year-olds will be ready for the first grade.

A representative of the State Controller may be present when registration takes place, to ensure that the regulations regarding free choice of State, State Religious or "recognised" schools are faithfully observed.

Among new regulations for this year, a minimum period of two days is to be available for registration even in small villages; the hours and places of registration are to be posted in at least five public places, and registration hours will be extended beyond the end of the work day to enable all parents to register their children.

In new immigrant centres where parents do not show up at registration points (an office of the local authority for kindergarten and the school itself for first grade) Ministry of Education officials may use Government vehicles to bring parents to register. Dr. Avidor emphasized that only Ministry officials were authorized to transport parents for this purpose. It was hoped that this arrangement would prevent parents being aided in their choice of schools by various interested parties offering transport.

While in the past, a month or two leeway was allowed for the age of a child entering school, this year age limits will be strictly enforced.

Children registered for the kindergarten semester beginning September 1 must have been born between December 19, 1952 and December 6, 1953. Eligible to register for the first grade are children born between December 30, 1951 and December 18, 1952. (This reckoning was based on Hebrew dates.)

In reply to a question, Dr. Avidor said that a sufficient number of teachers was expected for State schools next semester, while some shortage was expected in the staff of State-religious schools.

Infant Dies After Taking Insecticide

RAMLE, Monday.—Eighteen-month-old Aziza Abdulla, of Moshav Matzliah, near here, died yesterday of poisoning, having drunk some D.D.T. on Thursday.

She had been playing at home on the floor and found D.D.T. spray material under a bed.

All efforts to save her life at the Assaf Harofe hospital were unsuccessful. *(Itim)*

Children Run Riot In Wine Store

TEL AVIV Monday. — A group of children on Saturday broke into a wine store here and, after getting drunk, wrought havoc in the store.

Four of the children, aged from 9 to 11, were arrested yesterday and released in bond furnished by their parents.

The police stated that six children had broken into a Hamashbir Hamercazi warehouse in Rehov Salame by climbing onto the roof. Alone in the store of Passover wine, they held a bottle party and followed it by throwing some 2,000 bottles at the wall. Tired of their game, they left the building unobserved.

The four detained children live in Tel Aviv, while the two others were from Jerusalem, visiting relatives here. The latter two returned home yesterday and have not yet been detained.

Employees of the store who came to work yesterday morning found the shattered remains of some 2,000 bottles and a wine-stained floor, and summoned the police.

Hamashbir Hamercazi estimated the damage at over IL2,000. The store was insured. *(Itim)*

Child Pickpocket Caught in Act

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — A 13-year-old boy was yesterday caught in the act of taking money from the handbag of a woman who was waiting for a train at the Central Railway station. Although the station was crowded with post-holiday travellers, the attempted theft was witnessed by a detective, who caught the boy. He had on him IL42 in cash, IL27 of which he admitted having stolen.

The boy had a few days ago run away from an institution to which he had been committed for previous petty thefts. Police state that he has been a pickpocket since he was 10.

Senior Official Wins Trip to U.S.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dr. S. Ginton, Director of External Relations in the Ministry of Health, leaves for the U.S. today, having won a K.L.M. competition run in connection with the showing a few months ago of the film "The Spirit of St. Louis."

Dr. Ginton filled in the required 50 words on the contribution to the modern world of civil aviation. He forgot the episode until last month when he received a letter from K.L.M. stating that he had won a free round trip to New York and a month's holiday with all expenses paid.

Other Ministry officials who will be visiting the U.S. soon include the Minister, Mr. I. Barzilai, and the Director General, Dr. S. Biesh, who will represent Israel at the annual assembly of the World Health Organization to open at Minneapolis at the end of May.

Silver Due Today

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the Board of Governors of the Israel Bond Organization in the U.S., is due today to attend the Tenth Anniversary celebrations. He is to address the General Zionist Convocation on April 29.

Rabbi Silver, together with Mr. Moshe Sharett, represented the Jewish Agency at the U.N. General Assembly which resolved on the establishment of the Jewish State.

SOLEL BONEH

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tral body with fictitious powers covered up for independent executives who at times made harmful decisions," was fully corroborated by Mr. Namir, who spoke in a personal capacity (he is a former Secretary-General of the Histadrut.)

The proposals adopted today call for:

1) The division of Solel Boneh into three separate organizations; industry; construction and ancillary industries; foreign contracting and harbour work. Each sector's executive committee will operate independently in economic, administrative and financial matters.

2) The members of the central coordinating Executive Committee and the subsidiary Executive Committees are to be appointed by Hevrat Ovdim, the Histadrut holding company. The Central Executive Committee will be composed of representatives of Hevrat Ovdim and of the separate subsidiary Executive Committees.

3) The Central Executive will be responsible for the overall planning and supervision of its subsidiary company's activities, and will have the final voice in matters of investment policy for the entire Solel Boneh complex.

4) Employees' representatives are to be coopted onto the subsidiary Executive Committees by Hevrat Ovdim in an effort to develop a new and younger cadre of executives. (A similar programme is already in existence at the Palestine Electric Corporation.)

5) Each Executive Committee will choose a Chairman and a Treasurer as signatories whose approval will be required for the conduct of all company business.

6) A committee to decide on the final affiliation of subsidiaries engaged in public works, the Even Vasid Quarries and other firms will be appointed by Hevrat Ovdim. (It is reliably learned that this committee will be headed by Mr. P. Naphtali, Minister Without Portfolio, and will also consider additional aspects of the reforms proposed by Mr. Lavon but not acted on at today's meeting.)

Decisions Defied

In presenting his reform proposals, Mr. Lavon criticized the present situation in which the lack of public control over Solel Boneh policies and activities, and its frequent defiance of national policy decisions, had led to increased tension between the company on the one hand and the Histadrut and the Government on the other.

Mr. Lavon's proposals were bitterly attacked by Mr. Berl Repetur, an Ahdut Ha'avoda member of the Solel Boneh Executive, who said that the proposals were too sweeping and premature and might lead to the weakening of the entire Histadrut economic sector. The proposals were also opposed by Mr. B. Lim of Mapam.

Mr. Y. Sha'ari of Hapoel Hatzioni called for the complete decentralization and splitting up of Solel Boneh to prevent the dangerous concentration of political and economic power in one body. He also proposed the establishment of an investment policy advisory committee for the entire Histadrut economic sector.

Cables in Brief

ALIVE. — A baby born by caesarian section several minutes after his mother died from being shot in the mouth, is making normal progress in a hospital in Durban, South Africa. His mother was found shot in her home, with a revolver by her side.

ACCIDENT. — A British soldier died and five others were injured yesterday in a disturbance between British troops stationed at Rannelager, West Germany, the British Army of the Rhine has announced.

BISHOPS. — Two new Roman Catholic bishops were consecrated yesterday in Wuhan, Central China, in defiance of the Vatican, the New China News Agency reported. The consecration ceremony was the first ever performed by Chinese bishops independently since Catholicism came to China more than 300 years ago.

World Fair Opens In Brussels this Week

BRUSSELS, Monday (Reuter). — Belgium becomes host to the world this week at the 1958 Brussels World Fair, which is expected to attract 35 million visitors.

On Tuesday the world's press will attend a preview. Two days later young King Baudouin will open the six-month fair and welcome the first of the visitors.

The 350 feet high "atomium" steel and aluminium structure of inter-connected spheres, which is the fair's centre-piece, was completed this weekend after nearly 18 months' work. But painters and decorators are working round the clock to get the 500-acre site on the outskirts of the city ready on time.

The Russians "launched" a replica of the original Sputnik today at the fair. Workmen on scaffolding at the box-shaped Soviet pavilion put a model of Sputnik I on a pedestal in the centre of the huge glass, steel and aluminium structure, which is located next to the circular United States pavilion.

Forty-six countries are taking part in the first world fair to be held since before World War Two. Its official theme is "The balance sheet for a more human world."

Claims He Is 4,000, 'Pravda' Asks Inquiry

MOSCOW, Monday (Reuter). — The Moscow newspaper "Pravda" yesterday demanded a police investigation of a self-styled "prophet" healer who claims to be more than 4,000 years old.

The prophet, Porfity Kernyevich Ivanov, wears only a loin cloth in winter and summer and drives about the country in a luxurious Zim car with disciples who include several veiled women, the paper said.

"It is not known how wide his practice is nor how many ignorant people are swallowing the charlatan's bait. Evidently, this brings the prophet not a bad income," the newspaper said.

Religious Centre Opening May 8

The Supreme Religious Centre, Heichal Shlomo, will be officially inaugurated at a festive ceremony on Lag Ba'Omer (May 8) in the presence of the President, the Prime Minister and 400 guests from abroad.

Among the guests of honour on the occasion will be Mr. Isaac Wolfson, who contributed IL2m. of the IL3m. that went into the Centre's construction.

The monumental building in the heart of Jerusalem overlooking the Old City, will provide a roof for all the offices of the Chief Rabbinate now spread throughout the city, and will also contain a synagogue with an Ark specially brought from the synagogue of the Ramhal in Padua, Italy. Adjoining it will be a public library of works on Jewish law, and a large reception hall.

The Centre, which took six years in building, was initiated and will be administered by a committee comprising the two Chief Rabbis, the Minister for Religious Affairs and the Deputy Minister, and Mr. Wolfson and his son.

Greetings on the occasion of the building's opening have been received from the Chief Rabbis of Moscow and of Rumania. *(Itim)*

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Independence Week on the Air

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Kol Yisrael is to bring the highlights of next week's Independence celebrations into Israel homes by a series of live broadcasts, the broadcasting service directors told the press today.

The broadcasts will cover the special festive session of the Knesset inaugurating the 10th anniversary year on April 22; the Prime Minister's speech on Memorial Day, April 23, and the celebrations on Independence Day eve in the three cities and Ramle from 9.15 p.m. to 11 p.m. Kol Yisrael will stay on the air until 2.00 a.m. that night. During Independence Day, on-the-spot reports will be relayed from the military parade in Jerusalem, the tattoo in the Ramat Gan Stadium, and the festivities in the Haifa Municipal Stadium.

The highlights of the week will be re-broadcast in a special programme on Saturday, April 26, in which it is hoped to include recordings of "Israel Day" at the Brussels Fair and celebrations from different parts of the world, Mr. N. Rogel, Kol Yisrael reporting editor, said.

On April 27, radio reporters will be at the Hebrew University, where the President is to receive a doctorate.

Mr. Z. Zinder, Director of Kol Yisrael, outlining the radio service's expansion programme for the 10th Anniversary year, pointed out that, from yesterday, midday broadcasting is on the air from eleven, instead of noon, and an extra two-and-a-half hours would be made available daily, now that the Arab-language service has its own station.

Within a year, Kol Yisrael, in cooperation with Kol Zion Lagola, will start its own overseas service, Mr. Zinder said. Foreign language broadcasts in Persian, Polish and Turkish would also be expanded.

In July, the local finals of the Tenth Anniversary Bible Quiz would meet for the world title at the Jerusalem Exhibition.

Dr. Y. Spira, Director of Programmes, said that not one of the 50 scripts submitted for a special Independence Day broadcast, for which a IL500 prize was offered, was found suitable.

Dr. Spira revealed that the French composer, Alexander Tansman, has been invited by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra to conduct his composition "Isaiah." The French children's choir "La Maitrise," will also appear here this summer.

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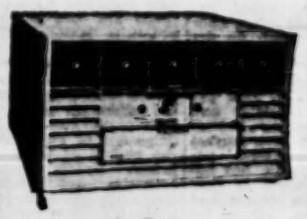

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GONE are the days when readers plodding through the State Controller's report were rewarded with juicy stories about embezzlement, waste, red tape, the old school tie and other excrescences of our bureaucracy. The most dramatic items they now get is the Housing Division's placing orders without proper tenders, the Foreign Ministry's poor planning and coordination of the entertainment of distinguished visitors and several instances of inefficiency, faulty accounting, high costs, insufficient respect for the convenience of the public and similar trivia. Small wonder, therefore, that the press and the public have lost interest in these reports and their increasingly detailed technicalities or that even the Knesset no longer treats them as major events. Indeed, the Controller's covering letter to the last report, carefully worded though it is, seems to be intended to convey his disappointment at the lack of attention that the Knesset and its Finance Committee, which are supposed to study his reports and act accordingly, have paid to his findings and recommendations.

CONTROLLER AND PUBLIC

It is, of course, deplorable that this should be the case. For a substantial part of the credit for the progress achieved in setting up an efficient administration, in reducing bureaucratic arbitrariness and in improving relations between the citizen and the State machinery goes to the State Controller. His assiduous work, uncovering discrimination, waste and carelessness, tracking down the real causes of public grievances — whether they lay in personal ineptitude, organizational bottlenecks or legal defects—proposing ways and means of remedying faults and publishing instances of unrepentance, has served, as a perpetual stimulus to better performance. The fact that interest in his reports should be flagging in the tenth year of the State's existence could be regarded as high praise for his zeal and his practical sense as well as for the administration's desire to improve — were it not presumably partly caused by sheer complacency. For great though the improvements have been, there still remains (and will always remain much to be done in checking and streamlining the functioning of government, and it can only be achieved by focusing the public attention on the shortcomings.

Let us consider, just as an example, the "general" recommendations contained in the Controller's last report. Two of them are of immediate concern to every one who has contact with the administration. One refers to the duty of a public servant to specify his reasons for rejecting a citizen's request; the other to the procedures adopted in dealing with the public's correspondence, suggesting ways of avoiding the delays and inconveniences that fray so many nerves. Another recommendation deals with the unsatisfactory state of budgeting and control of State-owned companies which comprise a large (and growing) part of our economy. There is a revolutionary suggestion to merge the big severance pay and pension funds of the Histadrut with the National Insurance Institute that would enable these funds to cut management costs (which now amount to some 10 per cent of the amounts collected) and would turn many tables in our capital market. And there is an indictment of the slow progress made in the registration of land titles (19,000 dunams finally mapped and settled in Western Galilee in two years, instead of the 180,000 dunams that had been envisaged, and this despite the fact that abundant funds had been voted for that purpose), for which the Minister of Finance gives a rather lame excuse.

Next, the Controller comes to grips with the basic principles of the Treasury's accountancy, pointing out that the system currently used leaves the administration a free hand in stepping out of budgetary limits in respect to both revenue and expenditure and thus in effect undermines the essence of democratic control. To be sure, there is nothing sensational about this discovery (which, significantly, the Minister of Finance has not commented upon), but the fact is that the Knesset has hitherto failed to raise the issue. Thus although the Controller no longer provides us with subjects for scandal, he still serves us well by getting down to the heart of important matters.

Economic News from Abroad

Greece Spends for Tourists

● The Greek government has announced a three-year programme to develop tourism, which will cost $10m. excluding private investments. Its most important feature will be a car-ferry service across the Straits of Otranto to link Greece with Italy, reducing travel costs and time for tourists from Western Europe. In addition, hotels will be built and renovated. Greece, which earned $29m. from tourism in 1955 and $40m. in 1957, hopes to double that sum in the near future.

Swiss Short of Capital

● A striking change has taken place in the Swiss capital market during the past year. With the supply of investment funds exceeding requirements through most of the postwar period and the bank rate stationary at 1.5 per cent since the early 'thirties, the capital surplus had assumed such embarrassing proportions by 1955 that the Swiss authorities arranged that the banks keep a portion of their cash reserves in frozen accounts with the Central Bank, and discouraged the inflow of "refugee" money from abroad in order to avert inflationary trends. Since then, however, Swiss financial institutions have taken an increasing interest in long-term loans to other countries and the outflow of capital exceeds $300m. a year. In 1957, domestic building activity and other investments also reached a new high, and a shortage of funds developed. By now the yield of government bonds has climbed to four per cent and lending abroad has come to an end.

Money from Mud

● The Thyssen steel combine has built a million-dollar plant for extracting coal and iron from mud. It has been estimated that about 400,000 freight cars of industrial waste which contain a high percentage of coal dust and ferrous oxide are deposited annually in the Ruhr area. The new plant is expected to recover 150,000 tons of coal a year in the initial phase and to be amortized within 10 years, by which time the major part of the mud deposits will have been used up and the output will drop to 50,000 tons. The ferrous oxide will be extracted magnetically and smelted by a new process.

Osaka Fair

● The International Trade Fair now being held in Osaka is the biggest ever of its type in Japan. The response to the invitations has exceeded expectation by far and the plans had to be revised and expanded to accommodate the 3,500 exhibitors from 22 countries, including both western and communist states.

Restrictive Practices

● Nearly 2,000 trade agreements in force in Britain have been registered under the Restrictive Trade Practices Act that came into force in August 1956, and the first cases are expected to come before the special Court in October. Restrictive agreements have loosened up slightly during the past years, mainly with the end of the "seller's market" in many trades.

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FLATS SOLD TO TENANTS

DURING the last fiscal year Amidar sold 3,745 flats to tenants, almost as many as in the preceding year. Altogether the company has sold 18,200 flats in the five years of its new policy of intensive sales. The sales price of these dwelling units added up to about IL50m., of which IL17m. were paid down while the rest is collected in monthly instalments. The company's income from collecting mortgage debts on the flats sold has gradually risen to an estimated IL4.8m. in 1958 and will thus account for 45 per cent of its total current income. Rent for flats and houses let will amount to IL5.8m. this year. In addition to the 25,000 flats that have been sold but not yet fully paid for, the company still administers some 85,000 flats owned by it and other public bodies.

MARKED RISE IN LIVING STANDARD

THE financial section of the State Controller's report reveals a marked increase in Israel's standard of living with an 11 per cent *per capita* increase in real income between 1954/55 and 1956/57, reducing the minimum required for subsistence from 49 per cent to 43 per cent of the total income. At the same time, the public sector, including local authorities and social insurance bodies, reduced its share from 71 per cent of the residual income to 67 per cent. Consequently, in 1956/57 24 per cent of personal income were left for other purposes — i.e. beter living, investments, etc. — as against 20 per cent in 1954/55. There is no doubt that this trend continued last year.

Administration: Ways to Reform

By Our Economic Correspondent

THE State Controller's report confirms to a large extent the citizen's picture of the average government official. He is not easily open to corruption. He tries to do his work conscientiously. But in many departments the framework in which he moves is not conducive to efficiency and satisfactory service to the public. And it is significant that some of the most glaring shortcomings have been discovered in the Treasury and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, the two authorities which have an overwhelming influence on economic developments and the economic habits of the public.

Managers of enterprises always say that one of their top men does nothing else but deal with the authorities for licences, credits, import facilities and other endless details in which he depends on the government. Proposals have often been made to simplify ministerial procedure so as to ease the pressure on officials and public alike, but no radical reform has ever been carried through. The endless patience of the public has adjusted to conditions as they are, and endless delays and negotiations are taken for granted.

For a time opponents of this bureaucracy concentrated their fire on the excessive number of government officials, but with the increase in our population our civil service no longer appears so large. What can be improved is efficiency. No one has yet tried to find out how many working hours—and how many pounds—are lost every day in letters, telephones and trips to Government offices which would be unnecessary if applications and enquiries were dealt with promptly. Enterprises that have to deal with the Government—and which of them do not?—simply put down the lost time and manpower to production costs in this country; and since many of them have no competition to fear and rely on government assistance in any case, the matter does not trouble them too much. An efficiency drive in the ministries—and in the Jewish Agency and in municipalities even more—would not only save the taxpayer huge funds but also decrease expenditure in the economy as a whole.

Streamlining Needed

Administrative reform assumes increased weight with the expansion of government activity and the growing participation of public funds in the capital of private enterprises. Unless government activities are streamlined, the efficiency drive which is gathering momentum in industry and agriculture will be slowed down by the bottlenecks that develop with frightening frequency at official desks.

How can administrative reform be achieved? One way of relieving pressure would be to eliminate unnecessary work and simplify office methods; another would be to discontinue the abuse of the resort to committees, which in Israel deal not only with policy but also with endless current matters that would be handled far more efficiently by one man. The habit of referring decisions to committees starts at the top, where it is favoured because it makes for compromise and give-and-take between the representatives of various parties. Lower down, it is an excuse for avoiding responsibility and saves the individual official the inconvenience of having to think out the pros and cons by himself. This habit, however, cuts down productive working hours, takes key people out of the offices for hours on end and piles work on secretaries and filing clerks who are kept busy writing endless protocols.

Administrative reform can be attacked from two ends: by the top people in government departments, once they become efficiency minded, and by the public, which could enforce changes if it became less tolerant. In the final analysis, after all, the citizen gets the administration he deserves.

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Trends in Banking
Accounts Outstrip Deposit Rise

By Our Economic Editor

THOUGH the inflationary trend in Israel continued throughout last year, total money supply increased by only 11 per cent in 1957, a substantially smaller rise than in any of the past ten years except 1952, states the annual report of the Bank Leumi. The main causes for the overall rise in the means of payment were increased loans granted to the public and to the Government by the commercial banks and increased Government indebtedness with the Bank of Israel. This has been offset only to some extent by larger savings and the depletion of foreign currency reserves.

However, even more than in past years the rise in the means of payments was confined to deposits, and currency in circulation increased by one per cent only. Indeed, this trend dates back to 1953 and was only temporarily reversed in 1956, when international tension led to the hoarding of fairly large amounts of cash by the public.

In order to be seen in a true perspective, the rise in deposits should be compared with the increase that has taken place in Israel population, which doubled during the first five years of the State's existence while the number of deposit accounts with banks increased by less than 50 per cent during that period. In the years that followed, however, the increase in population was much slower while the number of deposit accounts jumped up from 206,000 in 1953 to 344,000 in 1956 (and presumably to a much higher figure since). Evidently, this time-lag was due to the fact that it takes some time for an immigrant to become socially and economically integrated.

The average size of bank deposits has not, however, increased as fast as the purchasing power of Israel currency declined. In 1950, the average deposit amounted to IL604, and in 1956 to IL860, i.e. a rise of 42 per cent, while prices and wages advanced by three to four times as much. The spreading use of bank facilities by the Israel population has evidently been accompanied by a dwindling of liquid resources at the people's disposal (due to the prolonged neglect of saving that is characteristic of inflationary periods) and this process could not but affect the profitability of banking in this country. Not only has the number of accounts risen faster than the amount deposited, but the number of entries per account has also increased.

Bank Mergers

The resulting higher cost per account has only to a certain extent been offset by mechanization and by other efficiency measures. The situation grew particularly difficult for the smaller banking institutions which could not adopt such measures, as has been demonstrated by the fate of many cooperative credit societies and by several bank mergers in recent years.

Another major factor affecting the banks' profits in the past years has been credit control, and later on the ceiling imposed upon the rate of interest. The ceiling imposed upon the total volume of each bank's loans has remained unchanged since 1953 — except for minor increases of three per cent in 1954 and four per cent in 1956 — and is only lifted in favour of essential loans authorized by the Bank of Israel, and only for banks whose liquidity exceeds the minimum rate. Up to the end of January, the latter condition has been no less an obstacle to credit expansion than the overall ceiling, for the regulations then in force required a liquidity of 90 per cent for all demand deposits in excess of those held on March 31, 1953. However, new regulations now provide for a liquidity rate of 58 per cent of all deposits held on current account or for periods not exceeding 18 months, though the rate rises to 68 per cent if a bank opts to include its foreign currency balances in the liquidity calculation. Hundred per cent liquidity must be maintained on the balances of banks and credit cooperatives, but these reserves tend increasingly to concentrate with the Bank of Israel. On the other hand, essential credits approved by the Bank of Israel may be included in the liquidity calculations, up to 20 per cent of the total deposits.

Cement Down

Cement shipments dropped to a quarter of last year's figure, motor cars to one half, electrical appliances to one-fifth, paint, medicines and chemicals to even less than that. On the other hand, the export of many agricultural products, in addition to citrus, as well as of potash, phosphates, shoes, clothing, textiles, cartons, stamps, etc. increased very considerably.

Although a period of two months is of course far too short to reveal a lasting tendency, it may nevertheless indicate that the export field is very much in flux and that commodities with a high added value are in the ascending line while those with a low content of local labour are less successful. One should watch statistics carefully in the near future to see whether this optimistic forecast is borne out by the facts.

Export Figures Still in Flux

Jerusalem Post Reporter

FOREIGN trade figures for the first two months of 1958 show that, despite the world-wide recession, Israel exports were still faring well. Agricultural products reached a new high of $22.-7m., almost $0.75m. more than in the corresponding two months of 1957, and the slight decline of four per cent in diamond exports was more than offset by the increase of industrial exports from $6.6m. to almost $8m. It is also of interest, that February's figures were better than January's.

At closer look, however, several shifts in the lists of exported commodities become visible, indicating that the rise in export proceeds has been achieved not by a uniform expansion, but by a complicated process of adjustment to overseas markets. Thus "machinery and equipment" exports amounted to $468,000 in January-February 1957 but to only $14,500 in the same months of 1958 because steel pipe shipments ended in failure (as a sequel to which a suit has been brought against the Israel supplier) and several other items (electrodes, pumps, machinings, etc.) do not recur this year. On the other hand, a few new equipment items have been added to the list.

Readers' Letters

TOURIST GUIDES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Four months ago, the Government Tourist Corporation invited the participation of interested persons in its bi-annual course for guides. A careful screening was made of applicants on the basis of personality, educational background, knowledge of foreign languages and general suitability. Out of 180, 51 applicants were chosen as worth the government's investment. Half of these were women, who it was thought could also serve as hostesses in public relations offices or for reception centres.

The course, which lasted for ten weeks of lectures in Jerusalem and tours up and down the country where one of the most erudite of our scholars explained the sites, also included a long reading list, and entailed days and nights of intensive study. At the difficult written and oral examinations conducted by a panel of judges, almost 100 other persons were tested, in addition to those who attended the course. These were members of tourist agencies, Egged bus drivers who had been conducting their own 10-month study, and individuals who had been in practice but wanted the government licence.

Subsequently, 112 licences were awarded, bringing the total to 325. Nevertheless, the field is flooded with unlicensed guides, some of whom are the least suited to make friends for the nation. Among these, most are drivers who have only the scantiest information, coloured by personal prejudices.

Israel is expecting 86,000 visitors this year. To many of these, the guide will be the first and perhaps only direct contact with the people. From him may come the visitors' only impressions and information on a variety of things.

The Government Tourist Corporation, notwithstanding its large investment, did not undertake to employ the guides it licensed, and does not even act as a clearing house for what it has itself defined as the "emissaries of Israel," but it does have a moral obligation to absorb such persons or at least to exert its influence on government bodies such as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and others, which have public relations departments, to employ such persons and to see that tour operators hire only qualified persons. The fee for guides this year, incidentally, has gone up almost 30 per cent (from IL25 to IL32 per day).

With the Tenth Anniversary Committee not availing itself of such personnel, those national institutions which have tourist departments should be asked to hire qualified guides when adding to their staff in anticipation of increased guests.

Yours, etc.
DIANA LERNER
ERICA LANDAU

Tel Aviv, February 21.

Tourist Corporation Replies

Upon the conclusion of each Guides Course, the Government Tourist Corporation publishes an official list of Licensed Guides. This list is distributed to all travel agencies as well as all institutions and appropriate Government Offices.

If the Misses Lerner and Landau know of specific instances where unlicensed guides have been engaged, we would appreciate their supplying us with the relevant information.

I. H. NORMAN
Press and Public Relations Department, Government Tourist Corporation
Jerusalem, March 26.

Extra-Budgetary Accounts Published

THE first summary of the Fuel Equalization Account ever has been published in the State Controller's latest report. It shows a revenue of IL23.7m. during the three fiscal years ending March 1957, of which IL10.7m. were collected from the Delek company on account of fuel it purchased at lower prices than other companies. Most of the other sums collected from the oil companies went to subsidize high-price imports of fuel, these subsidies amounting to IL10.8m. Another IL10.8m. were refunded in subsidies to the Palestine Electric Corporation, to Mekorot, to the cement factories and some other fuel consumers. IL2m. went for subsidies to "essential commodities" and IL1m. for defence, in 1954-55, and the Shlumim company received IL1.3m. in commissions. As a result, the account had a deficit balance of IL2.3m. at the end of March 1957, but during the past fiscal year receipts exceeded payments to an extent that made it possible not only to repay this amount, but also to allocate IL10m. for the construction of the Eilat pipeline. The point is that all of these transactions were never submitted to the Knesset for approval.

One major case of misrepresentation cited in the Controller's report is that of the Government's Commercial Account, which was balanced with a profit of IL1.1m. in 1955/56 and IL0.9m. in 1956/57. As a matter of fact, the commercial transactions closed with a loss of IL2.1m. and IL6.9m. respectively for the two years, and the deficit was made up by subsidies. The correct figures have, meanwhile, been published in the Comments to the current Budget Estimates.

CITRUS SHIPMENTS TO INCREASE

SIZABLE quantities of citrus from postwar groves will reach the market, for the first time next season, and from then on the citrus crop is expected to increase rapidly. According to an estimate prepared by the Citrus Marketing Board, we will have 9m. crates of exportable fruit next year and 12m. in 1961/62. Of this, it is assumed that up to 10.5m. crates will go abroad through Haifa, whose harbour will need some additional equipment such as tractors, fork-lifts and greater storage facilities. The remaining 1.5m. crates will be shipped through Jaffa, although its port is open for an average of only 50 working days during the shipping season, as against over 100 in Haifa, due to stormy seas. Approximately three-quarters of the export crop will be transported overland by rail.

By 1962 present port facilities will no longer suffice to handle the crop and the building of another harbour in the south has accordingly been suggested.

Announcement

To all holders of tickets for the special A/58 Housing Lottery of Mifal Hapayis

The drawing will take place at Habimah on Thursday, April 17, 1958, at 5.30 p.m., of

5 FLATS (TEL AVIV, JAFFA, JERUSALEM, HAIFA, BEERSHEBA)

Mr. Haim Levanon, Mayor of the Tel Aviv-Yafo Municipality, will open the proceedings. Due to a broadcast of the Drawing, which will be made by Kol Yisrael, the doors will close at 5.30 sharp. Entrance tickets are available on presenting the special lottery ticket, at the offices of Mifal Hapayis, 34 Allenby Road, Tel Aviv, today and tomorrow, April 15 and 16, between 4 and 7 p.m., and after 4 p.m. on the day of the drawing at the Habimah box-office should there be any still available.

Excerpts from Shalom Aleichem's play "Tevye the Milkman" presented by Habimah

SOVIETS BEGIN ECONOMIC WAR

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — U.S. Government economists believe that non-Communist countries may soon be the target of a new blow of Soviet economic offensive aimed at commodities figuring largely in world trade.

They said that the effect of Russia's concentration on world markets could already be seen in the price cuts by major North American aluminium producers last week.

The Communist states were now powerful enough industrially to "live their economic guns" with effect at other commodities, they said.

One economist said: "Russia's rapid industrial progress has put her in a position where she can attack vulnerable markets in advanced countries and at the same time carry on her campaign of aid and trade in the underdeveloped countries."

Officials said that the Soviet Union began selling considerable quantities of aluminium to Britain last year at a figure well below the Canadian and world price.

According to figures available here, the Soviet Union sold 20,000 tons of aluminium to Britain in the last half of 1957 — as well as unknown amounts in Western Europe — and is now exporting to Britain at the rate of 50,000 tons a year.

Tel Aviv Stock Market

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Pop. Loan 1949/69 (IL10)	99½
4% Comp. Loan 56/67	73½
Pal. Bearer Bds. Ser. 1	99½
3½% Comp. Loan	89½
3½% War Loan 54/70	95
3½% Tavet Dollar z)	89½
4½ Reg Sterling "A"	94
Def. Loan Bonds 62½ f)	100½
4½% Def. Bonds f)	99½
4½% Def. Bonds g)	101½
4½% Loc. C. Debs. f)	96½
4½% Loc. C. Debs. g)	98½
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.)	215
4½% Bonds 58/65 f)	102
ditto g)	109½
Keren Hayesod 4½% Deb. 58/65 f)	97½
ditto g)	104½
6% Deb. 59/68 f)	96½
ditto g)	98½
Igroth Ltd. 6½% Deb. 58/65 f)	100½
Rassco 6½% Deb. 58/65 Class "A" f)	97½
Class "B" g)	104½
Bk. Leumi ord. sh.	150
Bearer Savings Cert. '59	93½
Bk. Leumi Investment Ord. sh. "B" reg.	97½
Ata ord. "B" sh.	75½
"Kardanit" ord. "B"	75½
7% con. debs. 59/68	75
"Teva" ord. sh.	80
Pal. Cold St. ord. sh. reg.	119½
Fasa 6% debs. 60/64 reg.	85
Rikuz 6% debs. 56/65	91
Ntr 5% pref. sh.	88
Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh.	79½
Rassco 6% pref. ord. sh.	81½
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	72½
5% debs.	77
Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh.	87½
Moller ord. sh. reg.	101½
Pal. Brewery 8% con. debs.	80½
Assis Bejarano "B" sh.	75
Nesher 6% debs. "A" 55/64	116½
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	67
Dead Sea Works 5% Deb. reg.	72½
Delek ord. sh. "D"	81
Mekorot pref. sh.	71½
Jordan Exploration Co. Ord. sh. reg.	79

Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price; c) ex. coupon; d) ex-dividend; e) ex-right; f) linked with $; g) linked with C.o.L.; z) in % of IL1,000.

Housing Loan Savings

Housing Loan Savings Certificates:

Ser. C	100§
Ser. D	100
Ser. E	99½
Ser. F.	98½
Ser. G.	98½
Ser. H.	98§
Ser. K.	97½

Stocks and Commodities

Better Tone in Tel Aviv Linked Bonds

A GENERALLY better tone was evident in the linked bonds section with a long list of small gains spread throughout the section and Tavei Dollar and 4 per cent Sterling A Stock in the forefront. Also better among the non-linked Gilt-Edged bonds were the Mandatory Bearer bonds, as some interest is displayed in them.

On the other hand, the ordinary shares section continues lifeless and easier wherever changed. Africa-Palestine Investment, I.L.D.C., Ata, Kurdaneh, Teva, Delek, lost ground again. Palestine Cold Storage and Palestine Potash were two points up, the latter probably on encouraging reports about Potash production. Dead Sea debentures were one point higher. In the oil section, prices were considerably better, as already indicated in last week's report in these columns. In the meantime, I.O.P. moved to above IL6, as against IL5.250 last week and Naphta to about 95 per cent as against 85 per cent last week. On the official list, Jordan Exploration gained four points.

Also on the "curb," *Mifze Amami Meyuhad* reacted sharply after last week's advance, while Housing Loan Saving Bonds continued to attract interest.

Small Gains in New York

WALL Street closed the week in a better mood, with gains amounting to about $1.- on Friday. A rally in Railroad shares and selective support for Aircrafts helped sentiment. Motors were supported, although news was coming in, concerning more lay-offs by Ford and General Motors. National Steel was one of the heavier losers in the steel division, while oils made an effort to pick up.

The Dow Jones average for 30 Industrials was 441.24 as against 440.50 last week, and Rails 104.95 as against 101.43.

Strike Fear Depresses London Market

THE refusal to grant the railway workers their claims and fears of a rail strike adversely influenced the London markets, which had shown continuous signs of strength earlier in the week. On the other hand, sterling continues firm, as commercial demand for sterling and capital movement to London persist. This movement appears to be encouraged by the further decline in the New York Treasury bill rate below one per cent, while the London rate is about 5½ per cent. A feature of the London Foreign Exchange market was the strength of the Canadian dollar, which advanced to 3¼ per cent against the U.S. dollar.

Gold Linked Loan Expected in Paris

A NEW French State Loan presumably linked to gold prices, is expected to be issued shortly. This affected the price of gold in Paris adversely after its recent advance.

On the London gold market, on the other hand, the price of gold strengthened to $35.13 per fine ounce. This premium reflects a demand for gold that goes rather beyond routine Middle East and Far East buying and there is some evidence of purchases on behalf of continental operators who are switching from the U.S. dollar to gold.

Diamond Sales Down

SALES of gem and industrial diamonds by the Central Selling Organization, which markets just over four-fifths of the free world diamonds, were the lowest since 1954 in the first quarter of this year. The American recession appears to be responsible.

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To parents in Jerusalem and Vicinity

Parents wishing to obtain additional information on the Military Academy are invited to attend a meeting with representatives of the Ministry of Defence, the Reali School and the Military Academy,

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Severance Pay Fund

An overall arrangement for workers' severance payments is a remarkable achievement for any country; unfortunately, however, it often happens that an employer, who for reasons of efficiency or economy decides to discharge part of his employees, is prevented from doing so by the great amount of severance payments he would have to make.

And another point: the present lack of liquid resources very often leads to the employer being unable to pay his workers the severance payments due to them without endangering the very existence of his business.

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